Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **SKELETAL SYSTEM Paper – 50 points**

**Skeletal System Disorder Writing Assignment**

**The Big Idea:** You will be completing a RAFT writing assignment to educate your peers about a skeletal system disorder.

R = Role A = Audience F = Format T = Topic

R = Doctor

A = Patient

F = Informative Letter

T = You are a doctor that is writing to a patient to give them additional information about a disease that they have just been diagnosed with. You need to be informative, but you also want to try to be comforting and convey that there are treatment options available.

**REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR THE WRITING ASSIGNMENT**

**1. WHAT IS IT?**

Describe the symptoms experienced by a person who has the disorder.

Explain how the disorder is diagnosed.

**2. HOW COMMON IS IT?**

Determine how common the disease is.

**3. HOW DOES A PERSON GET IT?**

What biological factors influence the chance that the person will get the disorder (age, gender, ethnic background, etc)

Is there a genetic component to this disorder? Is so, explain.

Is it influenced by environmental factors?

**4. WHAT’S GOING WRONG?**

What fundamentally is going “wrong” in the skeletal system to cause the disorder? (Use scientific words)

**5. CAN WE TREAT IT?**

Describe current treatments for the disorder.

Does exercise help people with this disorder?

**6. HOW DOES IT AFFECT THE LIFE OF THE PATIENT AND THE PATIENT’S FAMILY?**

Evaluate how having the disorder and being treated for the disorder affect the quality of life of a person who has the disorder, and the people who care for them.

**7. WORKS CITED**

Use at least three (3) reliable sources.

Properly formatted works cited list using APA style guide (Purdue OWL)

**8. TIMELINESS**

Needs to be handed in on time.